## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA EASTERN DIVISION

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CHRISTOPHER MCCULLOUGH, \*

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Petitioner, \*

v. \* 3:07-CV-26-MEF

DANIEL JONES, WARDEN, et al., \*

Respondents. \*

## **ORDER**

On February 21, 2007 the court directed Petitioner to show cause why his application for habeas relief should not be denied as it was not filed within the one-year limitation period established by 28 U.S.C. § 2244(d)(1). On March 12, 2007 Petitioner filed his response to that order. Upon review of Petitioner's response, the court understands him to contend that he is entitled to equitable tolling of the statute of limitations because he did not receive notice of the trial court's denial of his Rule 32 petition until December 1, 2006. Petitioner maintains that he only received such information after writing a letter to the circuit clerk for information regarding the status of his Rule 32 petition. (*See* Doc. Nos. 1 and 18.)

Upon consideration of Petitioner's response, it is

ORDERED that on or before April 12, 2007 Respondents shall filed a supplemental answer addressing Petitioner's contention that he is entitled to equitable tolling because he did not receive timely notice of the trial court's denial of his Rule 32 petition. Respondents' supplemental answer should include any and all documents, records, mail logs, docket sheets, *etc.*, maintained in the

ordinary course of business at Petitioner's place of incarceration at/around the time the trial court's ruling was issued and/ or at the Circuit Court for Chambers County, concerning whether or not, and when, notice of the trial court's decision on Petitioner's Rule 32 petition was mailed to him.

DONE, this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

/s/ Susan Russ Walker SUSAN RUSS WALKER UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE